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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A card with a core and at least one chip incorporated into the core, characterised in that at least 5% of at least one main surface is covered by a seal, the chip is covered on both main surfaces with a seal or a plastics layer and a recess of the core and/or a seal exhibit fine structures.

Claim 2 (original): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one seal consists of plastics.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A card a ccording to claim 1, characterised in that the core comprises paper or plastics-coated paper.

Claim 4 (previously presented): A card a ccording to claim 1, characterised in that the core comprises at least one image-receiving layer on at least one main surface.

Claim 5 (original): A card according to claim 4, characterised in that the imagereceiving layer comprises a microporous or gelatine-containing layer.

Claim 6 (previously presented): A card a ccording to claim 1, characterised in that the core comprises at least one image-forming layer on at least one side.

Claim 7 (original): A card according to claim 6, characterised in that the imageforming layer comprises a photographic layer.

Claim 8 (previously presented): A card a ccording to claim 1, characterised in that an image is arranged on the core.

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Claim 9 (previously presented): A card a ccording to claim 1, characterised in that it is provided on at least one main surface with a seal which is at least 5% smaller than the main surface.

Claim 10 (original): A card according to claim 9, characterised in that the seal extends at no point to the edge of the card.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one seal covers the recess for the chip on at least one side.

Claim 12 (previously presented): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that the core contains at least one recess with fine structures.

Claim 13 (original): A card according to claim 12, characterised in that the chip is accommodated in the recess.

Claim 14 (previously presented): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one seal comprises fine structures.

Claim 15 (previously presented): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that the card is covered on at least one main surface at least over its entire area with a plastics layer.

Claim 16 (previously presented): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that the card is covered on both main surfaces with a plastics layer which projects beyond all the card's edges and the projecting margins of the two layers are welded together.

Claim 17 (original): A process for the production of a card with a core and at least one chip incorporated in the core, characterised in that a recess for the chip is created in the core, the chip is inserted once the recess has been covered on one side with a

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seal and then the opposite side of the recess is covered with a seal or a plastics layer, wherein a recess of the core and/or the seal exhibit fine structures.

Claim 18 (new): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that the fine structures are selected from a group consisting of sawteeth, narrow strips, small patterns, steps and combinations thereof.

Claim 19 (new): A card according to claim 1, characterised in that the fine structures comprise irregularities in the recess of the core and/or the seal.